UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FROM CHINA, GERMANY, JAPAN, KOREA, AND SINGAPORE)) Investigation Nos.) 731-TA-1014-1018) (Preliminary)

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Monday
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Room 101
U.S. International
Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW
Washington, D.C.

The meeting commenced pursuant to Notice, at 11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, DEANNA TANNER OKUN, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

ITC Commissioners:

DEANNA TANNER OKUN, CHAIRMAN (presiding)
JENNIFER A. HILLMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN
LYNN M. BRAGG, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)
MARCIA E. MILLER, COMMISSIONER
STEPHEN KOPLAN, COMMISSIONER

APPEARANCES: (CONT'D)

Staff:

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Agenda for Future Meetings: none	4
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Ratification List: none	4
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1 PROCEEDINGS 2 (11:01 a.m.) 3 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Good morning. This meeting of the 4 U.S. International Trade Commission will please come to 5 order. Good morning to Commissioner Bragg, who I understand is participating by telephone this morning. 6 7 COMMISSIONER BRAGG: Good morning. 8 There is no agenda for future CHAIRMAN OKUN: 9 meetings or outstanding action jackets to consider. 10 are no minutes or ratification lists to consider. We will 11 turn to Investigation Numbers 731-TA-1014-1018 (Preliminary) 12 Polyvinyl Alcohol from China, Germany, Japan, Korea, and Singapore. Good morning to Mr. Deyman and the staff who 13 14 participated in these investigations. 15 Does any commissioner have questions for the 16 staff? 17 (No response.) 18 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Are there any additions or 19 corrections to the staff report? 20 I'm George Deyman, Office of MR. DEYMAN: 21 Madam Chairman, there were some additions Investigations. 22 to the staff report in Memorandum INV-Z-177 of October 16,

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and also there was an addition to the staff report contained

in an e-mail sent to the Commission this morning by the

Commission's investigator.

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- 1 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Thank you. Are there any
- 2 objections to approval of the staff report as revised?
- 3 (No response.)
- 4 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, the staff report is
- 5 approved. Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?
- 6 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman?
- 7 VICE CHAIRMAN HILLMAN: With respect to Singapore,
- 8 I find imports to be negligible. With respect to China,
- 9 Germany, Japan, and Korea, I reach an affirmative
- 10 determination.
- MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Bragg?
- 12 COMMISSIONER BRAGG: I vote in the affirmative.
- MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan?
- 14 COMMISSIONER KOPLAN: I concur with Vice Chairman
- 15 Hillman.
- MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun?
- 17 CHAIRMAN OKUN: I concur with Vice Chairman
- 18 Hillman and Commissioner Koplan.
- 19 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Miller?
- 20 COMMISSIONER MILLER: I also find imports from
- 21 Singapore to be negligible and make an affirmative
- 22 determination with respect to all other countries.
- 23 MS. ABBOTT: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
- found negligibility with respect to Singapore and
- 25 affirmative in all other investigations.

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                CHAIRMAN OKUN:
                                 Thank you, Madam Secretary.
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      Further information regarding this determination will be in
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      a press release. Commissioners' opinions are currently
      scheduled to be transmitted to the Department of Commerce on
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      or before October 28, 2002.
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                Thank you again to staff who participated in the
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      investigation. Seeing no other business before the
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      Commission, this meeting is adjourned.
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                 (Whereupon, at 11:04 a.m., the Commission meeting
      was adjourned.)
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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

TITLE: Polyvinyl Alcohol from China, Germany,

Japan, Korea, and Singapore

INVESTIGATION NO.: 731-TA-1014-1018

HEARING DATE: October 21, 2002

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DATE: October 21, 2002

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